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SUBJECT: GOM MINISTERS MEET TO PLAN FOR FOOD SHORTAGE

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1. GOM AGRICULTURE MINISTER HELD MEETINGS JANUARY 20 TO LAY PLANS TO MEET PROBLEMS ARISING FROM SHORTFALL IN FOOD PRODUCTION DUE TO THE LATE ARRIVING RAINS.

2. BEYOND RECOGNITION OF NEED FOR HIGHER CEREAL IMPORTS, MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE AGREED SPECIFICALLY THAT: (A) FOOD EXPORTS WILL BE LIMITED, (B) EXPANDED VETERINARY SERVICES WILL BE PROVIDED LIVESTOCK OWNERS, (C) FOOD PRODUCTS WILL BE STOCKED IN REGIONAL SUPPLY CENTERS AND LOCAL WAREHOUSES, (D) LIVESTOCK PRODUCER WILL BE PERMITTED UTILIZATION OF PREVIOUSLY CLOSED PASTURAGE AND FORESTS, (E) 8,000 TONS OF POWDERED MILK WILL BE IMPORTED THROUGH THE DAIRY COOPERATIVES, AND (F) NATIONAL RECONSTRUCTION WORKERS AND THE ROYAL ARMED FORCES WILL

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UNDERTAKE PUBLIC WORKS TO ASSURE WATER FOR LIVESTOCK,

(G) GOM WILL GIVE ATTENTION TO PLANNING SPRING CROPS
TO TRY TO PRODUCE SOME SUBSTITUTES FOR CEREALS SHORTFALL.
3. COMMENT: WHILE WEATHER REPORTING HAS BEEN REGULAR,
GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN SLOW TO PUBLICLY ACKNOWLEDGE DIMENSIONS
AGRICULTURAL PROBLEM. GOM FIRST RAISED SUBJECT OF PROBABLE
IMPORT NEEDS SEVERAL MONTHS AGO AND HAS BROACHED SUBJECT IN
GENERAL TERMS REPEATEDLY SINCE THEN WITH EMBASSY. BUT
TODAY'S ARTICLES ARE FIRST PUBLIC INDICATION THAT GOVERNMENT
TAKING INTERNAL STEPS TO CONFRONT SITUATION. WOULD APPEAR
THAT GOM NOW BEGINNING TO PREPARE POPULACE FOR STRESSES WHICH
LATE RAINS HAVE CAUSED. END COMMENT.ANDERSON

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